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*It's all-out action in this
thrilling series finale!*

Allegiances shift and the battle lines are drawn as Canon faces her true enemy. She's made a vow that she won't let one more person die...unless she takes the fall herself. The powerful Glenn is prepared to take her on, but Rod forbids him to kill her, leading to a bitter rift between the vampire allies. And is it possible that Canon still has a chance to regain her humanity?

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TO
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ANYONE
BE
KILLED!

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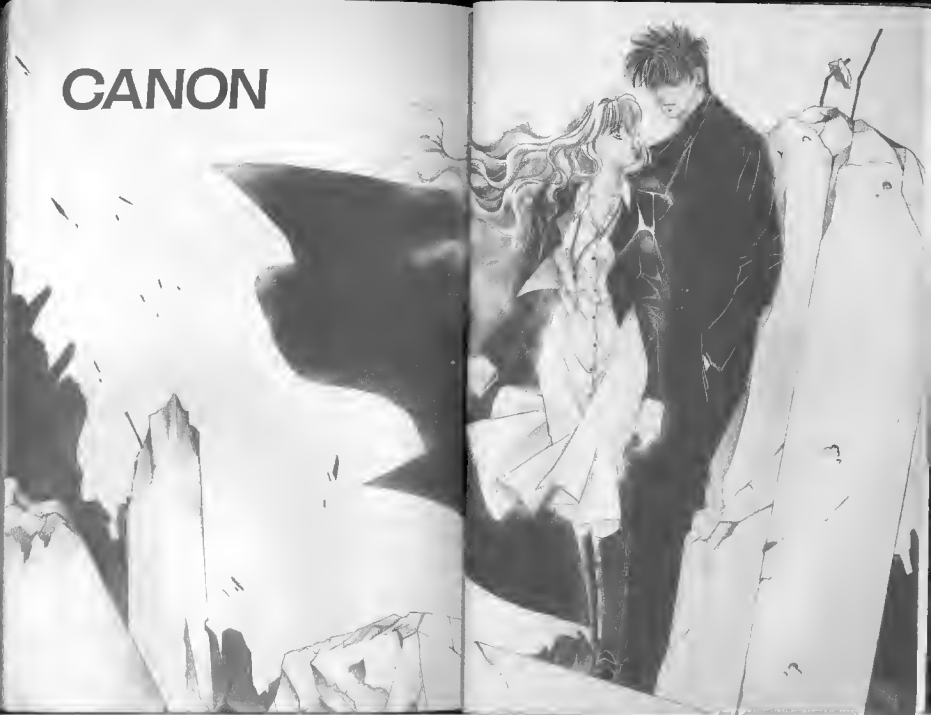
The STORY SO FAR

High school student Canon Himuro is turned into a vampire after 39 of her classmates are murdered. Thus begins her journey, accompanied by the fugitive vampire crow Fu. Though a vampire, Canon has maintained her own will and doesn't drink blood. She wears a cross as a reminder not to lose her own humanity. Along the way, Canon meets fellow vampire Sakaki, who tells her the enemy she's searching for is a vampire named Rod. Sakaki seeks vengeance against Rod for killing his parents, so the two of them form an alliance.

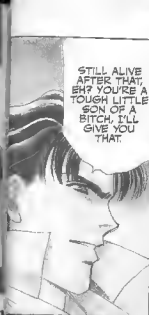
Meanwhile, the law of the vampire clan states that "human servants" (Canon) and "half-breed vampires" (Sakaki) are not permitted to live. Because of that, Rod, under orders from the vampire elder, tracks down his own pursuers. During a pitched battle between the two sides, Canon becomes mortally wounded trying to protect Sakaki. Surprisingly, though, it's himself who heals her afterwards with his own life force. Thinking something fishy is going on, Fu tails Sakaki and discovers that he is Canon's true enemy. Canon remembers the truth and learns that Sakaki made her a "servant" in order to take down Rod.

Determined to kill Sakaki, Canon has a showdown with him, even though somewhere along the line, she began to fell in love with the half-vampire who "created" her. As it turns out, Canon isn't nearly strong enough to beat Sakaki and he notifies her once again to murder Rod. In the ensuing melee, though, Canon returns to her senses after gravely injuring Rod. Then and there she decides to try to stop the war between the vampires herself!!

CANON



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DAMN IT!

SHE'S GOT
HER OWN WILL
BACK...

WHY
DID
YOU
COME
BACK
...?!

FOOL....

GET
AWAY!

SAKAKI...!

THAT
DOESN'T
MEAN
ANYTHING
TO ME. I'M
GOING TO
KILL HIM.

I'M
GOING
TO GO UP
AGAINST
SAKAKI...

SWISH

YOU SAID
YOU WERE
GOING TO
KILL HIM...

WHAT
ARE YOU
THINKING?!





WHETHER
SAKAKI
OR ROD
DIES...

I
FINALLY
...

...REALIZED
THE TRUTH!!

...THAT
DIDN'T
SOLVE
ANY-
THING!



THEY'RE
GOING
FOR
SAKAKI
....



WHAT
ARE
YOU
UP
TO?!

YOU
TOLD
ME...

...YOU
WERE
GOING
TO KILL
HIM!

AS
LONG
AS THESE
MURDEROUS
VENDETTAS
CONTINUE...

...MORE
AND
MORE
PEOPLE
ARE
GOING
TO BE
HURT!

YOU
MAKE
IT
SOUND
SO
SIMPLE
...!





WHY
DON'T
YOU
UNDER-
STAND?!



CANON?!



JUST
AS SHE'S
IMPORTANT
TO YOU...

..YOU'RE
IMPORTANT
TO HER!!



IF
THEY
HELP US,
NEITHER
OF
THEM...

WHAT
ARE
THEY
BOTH
DOING
..?!

..WILL BE
ABLE TO
GO BACK TO
THEIR CLAN!



THINK
OF HOW
THAT GIRL
FEELS
ABOUT
YOU.

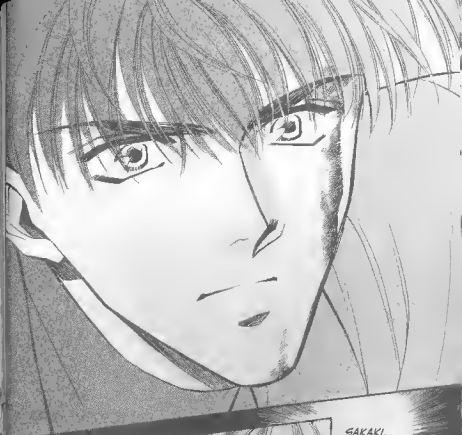
GET
AWAY
FROM
HERE,
SAKAKI!



I'M NOT
DOING IT
FOR YOU!

YOU...

YOU
HAVE
FEELINGS
FOR
ME...?



AFTER
ALL I
DID TO
YOU

SAKAKI...
GET AWAY!







...EVER SINCE
THAT DAY, TEN
YEARS AGO.

I
THOUGHT
KINDNESS
WAS
LOST
TO ME
FOREVER
...!

YOU'RE
HURT...!

I'M
ALL
RIGHT.

LET'S
GO!

HOLD
ON,
CANON!
I'M GOING
TO JUMP!

WAIT!
I CAN
DO IT
MYSELF!

AGH
...!





REALLY?

EH?

A-ARE
YOU
SERIOUS
?

THAT
IS, IF
WE'RE
STILL
ALIVE.

I'LL
MAKE IT
UP TO
YOU BY
INVITING
YOU OUT
TO EAT
NEXT TIME

YOU'LL
BE
ABLE TO
FIGURE
OUT
SOME-
THING!

ONCE
THE SUN'S
UP I'M
SURE...

IT'LL
BE
DAWN
SOON!

DON'T
EVEN
THINK
ABOUT
ATTACKING!
JUST KEEP
RUNNING!

FLAP

AT
DAY-BREAK...

THE
VAMPIRES
WILL HAVE
TO STOP
CHASING US.

FOR OVER
HALF A YEAR,
SUNLIGHT HAS
MEANT NOTHING
BUT PAIN
TO ME...

IF
WE'RE
STILL
ALIVE...

CANON!
WHY
ARE YOU
HELPING A
GUY LIKE
THIS?!

HE'S
A
JERK!!

OH,
DON'T
BE SO
ANGRY.

SQUAWK

SQUAWK

I
REALLY
THOUGHT
I WAS
GONNA
DIE!

YOU'RE
STILL
ALIVE?

OF
COURSE.
KILLING
YOU
WAS MY
INTENTION.

PUTTING
IT THAT WAY
PIESSES ME
OFF EVEN
MORE!!



TAKE
CARE
OF
HER!



LOOKS
LIKE
THEY'RE
NOT
GONNA
LET US
GIVE 'EM
THE SLIP
THAT
EASILY.

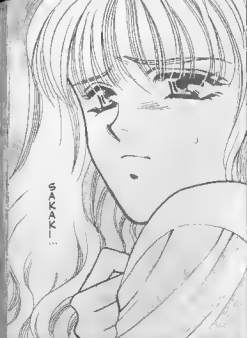


BUT
RIGHT
NOW I
CAN'T
WAIT FOR
IT TO
COME...

WHILE
NO
ONE IS
BEING
HURT!!

FASTER...
EVEN ONE
SECOND
FASTER!

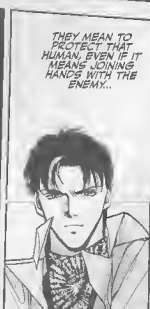
THEY'RE
HERE!!

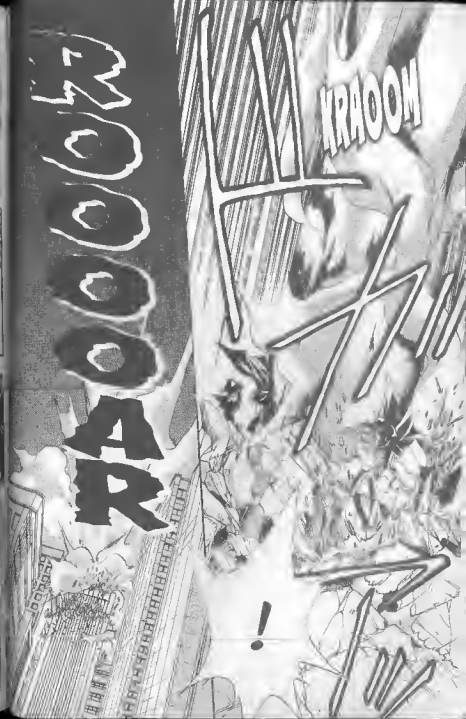




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SQUEEZE

...AND
KILLED YOU
THE FIRST
TIME WE
MET!

I
SHOULD
HAVE
OBBEYED
OUR LAW...

AH...

AH!

SW! SH! GLENN!

STOP!!

S...

IT
WOULDN'T
HAVE
COME TO
ALL THIS
TROUBLE

IF WE
HADN'T
UNDERSTIMATED
YOU.

CANON!

NNGG

...

...WHAT
IT IS
ABOUT
THIS HUMAN
THAT
MOVES
THEM...

BUT

I
CAN'T
UNDER-
STAND



SHE
CAN BE
TURNED
BACK...

IF I
DIE!!



Mmm...



SHE CAN
STILL BE
CHANGED
BACK
INTO A
HUMAN!!

DON'T
KILL
HER...!



!

I SEE...
BECAUSE
YOU'RE A
HALF...

UNAFRAID OF
SUNLIGHT... ABLE TO
ACHIEVE THE POWER
EQUIVALENT TO AN
ELDER IN A MATTER
OF DECADES...

...WHICH IS EXACTLY WHY
THEY'RE SUCH A THREAT
TO OUR CLAN... WHY
THEIR EXISTENCE IS
FORBIDDEN.

I'M
DIF-
FERENT
...

...
FROM
THE
REST
OF
YOU!

ARE
YOU
CERTAIN
OF THIS?

BUT
BECAUSE
THEY ARE
FORBIDDEN
...

...NOT EVEN
I KNOW THE
EXTENT OF
THEIR
POWER.

BUT
WHETHER
IT'S
TRUE
OR
NOT
...

...IS
SOME-
THING
WE CAN
TEST
RIGHT
NOW
...

I
JUST
HEARD IT
FROM MY
FATHER.



IF THE
MASTER
DIES, THE
SERVANT
DOES NOT
REVERT
BACK.

SHE'S
BEEN IN
THIS FORM
FOR SO
LONG, EVEN
MY POWER
WOULDN'T
BE ENOUGH
TO CHANGE
HER BACK!

HEH,
IS THAT
THE FIRST
THING THAT
POPPED INTO
YOUR HEAD,
NOW THAT
YOU'RE
DRIVEN
INTO A
CORNER?



...SO
DON'T
DO IT!

I'LL
STAY
THIS
WAY
...

THIS
IS FINE
...



HE
INTENDS
TO DIE...

...FOR
ME!

I
DON'T
WANT
TO BE
HUMAN
AGAIN,
NOT AT
THAT
COST!

PLEASE,
SAKAKI!...

IT'S
OKAY!
I DON'T
HAVE
TO BE
HUMAN
...!!



CHUCKLE

THAT'S
WHAT
HE
MEANT
...

NO
...

DON'T
...



WHEN
HE SAID
THAT...

WHAT
ARE YOU
SAYING?!

STOP!

"WHEN ALL
OF THIS IS
OVER..."

"...I'LL TURN YOU
BACK INTO A
HUMAN."

...HE MEANT
BECAUSE
HE WAS
GOING TO
DIE!!

IF
YOU'RE
ASKING
ME TO
KILL YOU,
I WILL.

I
KNOW.

THAT'S
WHY I'M
HERE
IN THE
FIRST
PLACE.

GLENN,
WE DON'T
HAVE
MUCH
TIME...

NOOO!
STOP!



HIS
DEATH
WILL END
ALL OF
THIS!

...THEN I
WANT YOU
TO TAKE
GOOD CARE
OF HER,
ROD.

THIS
IS WHAT
I
HAD
IN MIND
FROM THE
BEGINNING



SAKAKI
...!!

BUT IF
BY CHANCE,
SHE DOESN'T
CHANGE
BACK INTO
A HUMAN
...

SAKAKI
...



I DON'T
WANT TO
SEE
ANYONE
ELSE DIE
...!

I...




GLENN



I'M
SICK OF
HATING
...!!



I'VE
HAD
ENOUGH
OF IT!



WHEN
YOU KILL
SOMEONE,
HATRED IS
BORN!

THEN
THAT
HATRED
GOES ON
TO KILL
SOMEONE
ELSE!!

WHAT
WILL
END
...?!

I...!

NOOOO!!

GR

AB

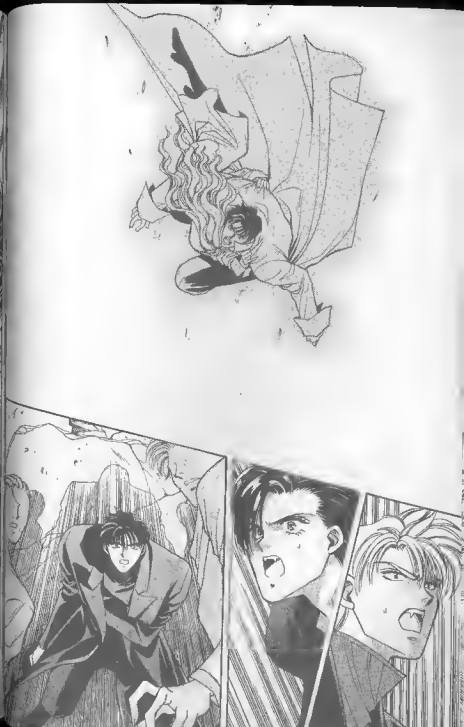
**SAKAKI...!
GO...!!**

**I
DON'T
CARE.
KILL
HIM!**

**DON'T
...!**

STOP!!

**DON'T
DO IT
!!**





CAZZO!!





THAT'S
...ALL...

I
JUST...
WANT
SAKAKI
TO
LIVE...

YOU
ARE
...



HUMAN.



A
FOOL..



YOU
DON'T
WANT
TO KILL
ANYONE
... ?

THEN
WHAT'S
THIS?!



I...
KNEW
THIS
WOULDN'T
BE
ENOUGH...
TO...



KKKK
...



SHE
DID IT
TO GIVE
SAKAKI
A WAY TO
ESCAPE
...



BUT I
CAN
... STOP
YOU
... FOR
A WHILE
...



WHY?
WHY
DID YOU
THROW
YOUR
OWN
LIFE
AWAY
... ?!

AFTER
DYING, SHE
CHANGED
BACK INTO A
HUMAN...?





WHA?
...

YOU
CAN
BRING
HER
BACK
TO LIFE!



IT
WAS
SUP-
POSED
TO BE
...

...ALL
OVER
WHEN I
DIED!



WHY?
...



CANON...
WHY
ARE YOU
DYING?



THERE'S
STILL
TIME!!



CANON'S
HUMAN,
SO EVEN
IF SHE DIES,
HER BODY
DOESN'T
TURN TO
DUST!

SEAL HER
WOUNDS AND
GIVE HER
ANOTHER
BLOOD
TRANSFUSION!



WAIT!



WHY?!





ARE YOU
ANGRY AT
WHAT I'VE
DONE?

TELL
ME
ARE YOU
ANGRY?



I'M
SORRY
...

EVERYONE.



WELL, IF
YOU EVER
WANT THE
JOB...

...I'LL
GLADLY
STEP
ASIDE.

DON'T
SPOUT
NON-
SENSE!

INCOMPE-
TENCE LIKE
THIS MAKES
ME THINK
TWICE ABOUT
WHETHER
YOU'RE FIT
TO BE
VAMPIRE
ELDER!

...WHO
WOULD
DO HARM
TO OUR
CLAN.

I
DON'T
SEE ANY
HALF..

STAGGER

WE
HAVE
TO GET
GOING.

MACHUA,
IT'S
DAWN.

RUSTLE

HAHN...

...CANON.

THAT'S
PATHETIC.
GET AHEAD
OF YOUR-
SELF!

GRAB



..WE'LL
EVER
MEET
AGAIN.

I
DON'T
THINK...



IF THE
SUN HITS
ME, THIS
BIRD'LL
BE DEEP-
FRIED.

WELL,
GUESS
IT'S
TIME
FOR ME
TO JET,
TOO.

CLOSE
ONE.

EH?
WAIT FOR
ME...!



FUI, WAIT!
WHAT DID
YOU MEAN,
I DON'T
HAVE TO
BE IN A
HURRY...?

AH,
SAKAKI!
DON'T
FORGET
OUR
DINNER
DATE!



NO NEED
FOR YOU
TO BE IN
A HURRY
ANYMORE



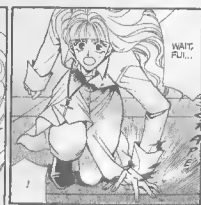
EH?



SAKAKI
...



WHY AM
I...?





THAT'S
THE ONLY
THING I
CAN
DO...

THE
ONLY WAY
I CAN TRY
TO MAKE UP
FOR TAKING
EVERYTHING
FROM YOU.

THIS IS ALL
HAPPENING
SO FAST...

SAKAKI,
WHAT
ABOUT
YOU...?



SO
I'LL
ERASE
THEM
FOR
YOU.

ALL
YOUR
MEMORIES
OF WHAT
HAPPENED
WOON'T DO
YOU ANY
GOOD.
LIVING IN
THE HUMAN
WORLD...



...CANON.

GO
HOME TO
THE WORLD
OF LIGHT...



EVEN
ABOUT
SAKAKI...!

SAKAKI,
I...!

AH...

RUFFLE

THE
HUMAN
WORLD
WOULDN'T
ACCEPT ME
AND I HAVE
NO DESIRE
TO LIVE
THERE
EITHER.

HE'S
TELLING
ME...

I
HAVE
TO FORGET
EVERYTHING
?!



FORGET
ALL OF
THIS...

ABOUT
SAKAKI...

ABOUT
MY
FALLING
IN LOVE
WITH
SAKAKI...
EVERY-
THING
...

...BUT...

EVERYTHING...

IT'LL BE
BETTER TO
FORGET. I'M
SURE THAT'S
THE BEST
THING TO
DO...

...IF I'LL
NEVER BE
ABLE TO
SEE HIM
AGAIN.

WIPE
OUT ALL
OF THE
MEMORIES
...

...IF YOU
THINK IT
SHOULD
BE
DONE...

ALL
RIGHT.
DO
WHAT
YOU
WANT
...

FIND
HAPPINESS
IN YOUR
OWN
WORLD,
CANON.

MAKE
NO
MISTAKE
ABOUT
WHERE
YOU
BELONG.

THERE
ARE SOME
THINGS
THAT YOU
NEED TO
FORGET...

...TO
GO ON
LIVING.

I
SAID
THAT
MYSELF..

SOME
ONE
GO.



SAKAKI
...!!



...BUT I
SWEAR I'LL
REMEMBER
IT ALL
AGAIN!



I'LL
REMEMBER
EVERY-
THING!

I
KNOW
I WILL!

THERE ARE
SOME
THINGS
THAT HAVE
TO BE
FORGOT
TEN...

ONE
MORE
TIME...

SO
YOU CAN
GO ON
LIVING...

ONE
MORE
TIME
...

PROMISE
YOU'LL
COME
BACK
TO
ME!

WHEN
YOU RE-
MEMBER,
COME
BACK TO
ME
...!

THEN
WE CAN
MEET...

NOT BROUGHT
TOGETHER OUT
OF SADNESS...

NOT BOUND BY
THE PAST OR
THE WORLDS
WE LIVE IN...

JUST MEETING AS
TWO PEOPLE...

UNDER
DIFFERENT
CIRCUM-
STANCES.

CANON
HIMURO
WAS
FOUND
SEVEN
MONTHS
AFTER
HER
DISAP-
PEARANCE.

SHE
HAD NO
MEM-
ORIES
OF
THAT
PERIOD.

MORE
INCREDIBLY
HER BODY
SHOWED
NO TRACE
OF THE
TERMINAL
DISEASE
THAT SHE'D
SUFFERED
FROM SINCE
CHILDHOOD.

I
WON'T
...

...I
WON'T
FORGET.



BECAUSE
OF THE
MEMORY
LOSS...

I HAD
A REALLY
HARD TIME,
AFTER
THAT.

...THE
DOCTORS
SUBJECTED
ME TO ONE
TEST AFTER
ANOTHER.

...NEVER
LETTING
ME BE
ALONE...

WAS THE
HOSPITAL
ALWAYS
LIKE THAT
...?

A CONSTANT
PROCESSION
OF PEOPLE
COMING AND
GOING...

...NEVER
GIVING ME
TIME TO
REALLY
THINK?

TO BE HONEST,
I'M NOT AS
DRIVEN TO
UNCOVER THE
FACTS AS I WAS
BEFORE...

BECAUSE
OF YOUR
CRYING
FACE, A FACE
I CAN'T FOR-
GET THE LIFE OF
I'VE EVER
REMEMBER
SEEING.

NOW,
THREE
MONTHS
LATER...

...SHE'S
SLOWLY
RE-ADJUSTING
TO SOCIETY.

GUESS
THE TRUTH
OF WHAT
HAPPENED
IN THAT
CLASSROOM
WILL
STAY AN
UNSOLVED
MYSTERY.

SO I HOPE
THAT FROM NOW,
AT LEAST...

BUT FOR
SOME
REASON,
WHEN THAT
IMAGE POPS
INTO MY
HEAD, FROM
TIME TO
TIME...

YOU
MUST'VE
BEEN
THROUGH
A LOT.

...IT
MAKES ME
FEEL
CALM.

...YOU
CAN
BECOME
HAPPY
EVEN IF
JUST A
LITTLE

KUTCH



ONE
MORE
TIME...



...JUST
LIKE I
SAID I
WOULD.

BUT THAT
DIDN'T STOP
ME FROM
EVENTUALLY
REMEMBER-
ING...

CANON
CHIKA SHIOMI

*ONE MORE
TIME, FROM
THE BEGINNING...*

CANON THE END



CANON SIDE STORY
TATSUMI

CANON
HIKARI SHIOMI



...



SO A SLAUGHTER IS THE ANSWER TO BREAKING ONE OF THEIR DAMN RULES?

UH...
...

TO
THOSE BASTARDS MAKE ME SICK.



...AND THEIR "HALF" CHILD.



...THE HUMAN MOTHER
...

THE VAMPIRE FATHER
...



WELL... FAR OUT.

THIS ONE'S STILL ALIVE.

I'LL...
...KILL YOU
...





...KILLED
THEM!



...I STILL
WANT YOU
TO LIVE.

I'M
SORRY...

THEY'RE NEVER
FORGIVING
BREAKING OF
THEIR TABOOS,
WHICH IS WHY
THEY'RE SURE
TO COME AFTER
YOU AGAIN... TO
FINISH THE JOB.

ACCORDING
TO THE
LAWS OF THE
VAMPIRE CLAN,
OUR WHOLE
HALF-VAMPIRE/
HALF-HUMAN
EXISTENCE IS
FORBIDDEN.

SAKAKI

...

...BUT...

I DON'T
WANT YOU
TO LOSE TO
DESTINY...

...BUT TO
BE AS HAPPY
AS YOU CAN.



HOW
DO YOU
...?

...YOU
SHOULD
BE DEAD,
BOY.

YOUR
HEART
FINALLY
STARTED
BEATING
AGAIN.
HALF-
VAMPIRE
OR
NOT
...



I'LL
HAVE YOU
HEALED UP
IN A JIFF...

...BECAUSE
I'M A "HALF."
JUST LIKE
YOU.





YOU
CAN TELL
ME.

OKAY,
SAKAKI,
DO YOU
HURT
ANYWHERE
ELSE?



WHAT?



ALL
RIGHT, I
WILL, IN
TIME...



TAKE
ME

...BACK
TO THAT
FOREST.



COOL
YOUR
JETS.

I
WANNA
GO RIGHT
NOW!

JUST
TELL ME
WHERE IT
IS AND I'LL
GO BY
MYSELF!



I
MUST SAY
I DID A
FANTASTIC
JOB ON THAT
GAPING
HOLE IN
YOUR CHEST
YOU'RE FINE
NOW.

YOU UP,
KID?

YO!



I'M
TATSUMI,
BY THE WAY,
WHAT'S YOUR
NAME?



SAKAKI.



...TOGETHER
WITH SOME
OF THE DUST
THAT I THINK
WAS YOUR
FATHER'S
BODY..



I
BURIED
YOUR
MOTHER'S
BODY..



...RIGHT
UNDER
THAT
TREE.



FINE.



LET THEM GO



YOU NEED A
LITTLE MORE
TIME TO PULL
YOURSELF
TOGETHER
BEFORE YOU
CAN HANDLE
GOING BACK
THERE.

LOOK, I
WOULDN'T
STEER YOU
WRONG.
JUST SAVE
IT FOR
LATER.

HOW
COULD HE
MURDER
MY
MOTHER
AND
FATHER,
JUST LIKE
THAT...?!

HOW
COULD
HE
...?

I
SWEAR
...

THAT'S
ENOUGH.

I'LL
TRACK
HIM
DOWN
AND
...

THEY'RE
DEAD...!

I'LL
KILL
HIM...

SOD-
DAMN
HIM!

UUUH
...

mmmmmm
mmmmmm

UUUH
...

mmmmmm
mmmmmm

UUUH
...

AAA...

AAAA
...



WHAT
DID YOU
DO THEN
TO KILL
HIM...

YOU
WANNA
KILL
HIM...
BIG
WORDS.

FSSSS

...WHEN
YOUR
MOM AND
DAD WERE
MASSACRED?

!
HERE,
TRY TO
DODGE
THIS!



SECONDLY,
LIKE I SAID,
SINCE WE
"HALVES"
ARE TABOO
FOR THE
VAMPIRES...

...IF YOU
TRIED TO
FIGHT ONE,
YOU'D HAVE
TO FIGHT
'EM ALL.



CHILL
OUT.

IN THE
FIRST
PLACE,
HE'S
FRICKIN'
STRONG.
YOU
WOULDN'T
STAND A
CHANCE
AGAINST
'IM.

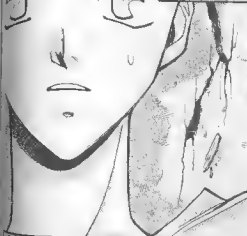


YOU CAN DO
FINE LIVING
AMONG THE
HUMANS.

I WENT TO
A LOT OF
TROUBLE
BRINGING
YOU BACK
TO LIFE,
SO DON'T
THROW IT
AWAY!

ALL
I WANT TO
DO IS KILL
HIM!!

I DON'T
GIVE A DAMN
ABOUT MY
LIFE!



I DON'T
HAVE THE
POWER TO
FIGHT HIM.

...LET ALONE
BE ABLE TO
PROTECT MY
MOTHER AND
FATHER.

I COULDN'T
EVEN PUT
UP A FIGHT
AGAINST
HIM THEN...

IN
FACT,
EVERY-
THING
HE SAYS
IS TRUE.

TA-
TSUMI'S
NOT
WRONG.

SONG



MY
FOLKS
WERE
MURDERED
BY THEM,
TOO...

...BUT
WHEN I
WAS WAY
YOUNGER
THAN YOU,
I DON'T
REALLY
REMEMBER
IT.



...I WAS
A LITTLE
TOO
ROUGH
ON HIM...



HE'S
PROBABLY
THINKIN'
ABOUT
WALKING
OUT OF
HERE FOR
GOOD...



...AND I
DON'T THINK
WHAT YOU'RE
SAYING IS
OFF-BASE,
BUT...

SO I
KIND OF
GET WHERE
YOU'RE
COMING
FROM...



WE'VE
BEEN
BUDDIES
SINCE WE
MET. HALVES
LIKE US
GOTTA STICK
TOGETHER!

WHAT
ARE YOU,
CRAZY?

...AS
LONG AS
YOU STAY
HERE.

SEE,
I COULD
TEACH
YOU THESE
THINGS, ALL
KINDS OF
THINGS...

...BUT
HOW YOU
GONNA STAY
THAT WAY
WHEN YOU'RE
OBVIOUSLY
IGNORANT
ABOUT WHAT
YOU ARE?

YOU'RE
BACK IN
ONE PIECE
FOR NOW.
YEAH...

FOR
EXAMPLE,
WHEN
HALVES
DIE, OUR
BODIES DON'T
TURN TO DUST.

AND DO
YOU KNOW
ANYTHING
ABOUT
SERVANTS?

SO NOW
WHAT? YOU
LEAVIN'?

GUESS
I CALLED
IT.

.....

...I CAN'T
EVEN HEAL
WOUNDS OR
MAKE FOG
LIKE YOU.

LOOK,
WHEN I
SAID...

HAVING
ME HANG
AROUND
HERE
ANY MORE
WOULD
ONLY BE A
BURDEN
FOR YOU.

WHAT
ELSE AM
I GONNA
DO?

IT
WOULDN'T
HAPPEN
RIGHT
AWAY...

...BUT
SOME-
DAY...



AND IF
IT DID,
WOULD
I LEAVE
THOUGHTS
OF KILLING
ANYONE
BEHIND?

WOULD
I LET
GO
OF MY
HATRED?



BUT
I
HAVE
A
PEEL-
ING
...

AT
MY AGE,
I STILL
NEED AN OLD
PERSON TO
LOOK AFTER
ME.

...THAT IF
I'M WITH
TATSUMI,
THAT "JUST
A LITTLE"
WILL TURN
INTO
"FOREVER".

I
SUP-
POSE
I DON'T
HAVE A
CHOICE.

OF COURSE,
THAT WON'T
BE EASY...



★
WHO
YOU
CALLIN'
AN OLD
PERSON?!

MAYBE
I'LL BE
ABLE TO
FORGET
MY PAIN
FOR
JUST A
BIT...



MAYBE I'LL
BE ABLE TO
SMILE JUST
A LITTLE...



LET'S LIVE
LONG AND
PROSPER!



I KNOW.

IT'S BEEN UP THERE FOR AT LEAST TEN MINUTES.



IT SEEMS...

...THAT THE VAMPIRES...



THAT'S A WEIRD BAT.

IT JUST KEEPS CIRCLING AROUND ...



ARE FINALLY MAKING THEIR MOVE.



WHO WOULD'VE GUESSED THAT THIS FAR EASTERN LAND WAS A HOTBED OF ILICIT ACTIVITY?

ON THE OTHER HAND, PERHAPS THAT'S WHAT MAKES IT THE PERFECT HAVEN.



THOSE TWO... I SEE...

THERE'S NO MISTAKE. THAT BAT IS SPECIAL.

IT CAN SNIFF OUT THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN A TRUE VAMPIRE AND A HALF-BREED.



STILL, I'M SURPRISED ...

ATSUMI ...

HOW OFTEN DO YOU FIND TWO HALVES TOGETHER?



TWO OF YOU?

YOU KNEW I HAD A KID WITH ME, RIGHT...?



GOING AFTER ME IS ONE THING, BUT ATTACKING HIM...

...I GOT A PROBLEM WITH THAT!



RIGHT IN THE MIDDLE OF THE STREET!

OOH, TOUGH GUYS!

UWAAA ...!



I'M NOT GONNA LEAVE YOU OUT!

AH...



YOU CAN'T STAND US SO MUCH YOU WANNA EXTERMINATE US!

AGH!



THIS IS THE POWER OF THE HALVES THAT THE VAMPIRES ARE SO AFRAID OF...



HE'S STRONG



AAARGH!

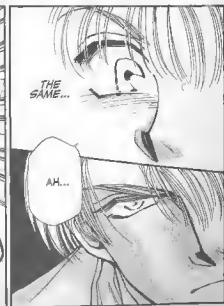
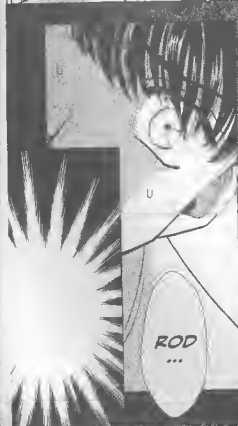
CRACK

WHY DO YOU THINK YOUR KIND IS SCARED OF US?!

UN-BELIEV-ABLE, IS IT?

I DON'T BELIEVE IT!!

HOW COULD HE BE THAT POWERFUL...?!





Tatsumi!!



YOUUU
...



HUFF

HUFF

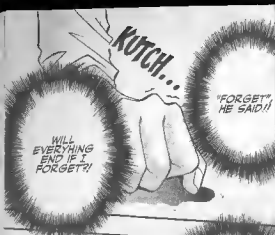


TA...

RIP

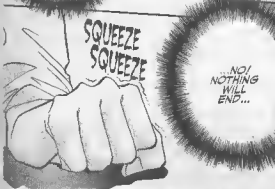






WILL
EVERYTHING
END IF I
FORGET?!

"FORGET"
HE SAID!!



SQUEEZE
SQUEEZE

NO!
NOTHING
WILL
END...



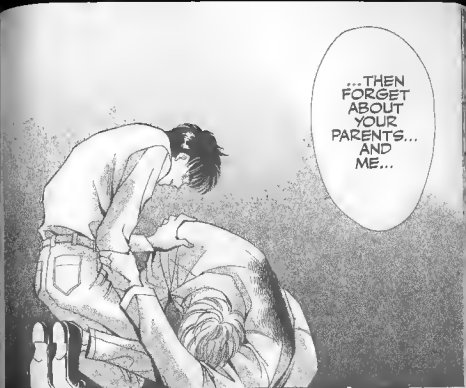
DON'T
DO THIS
TO ME!!
NOT AGAIN!
NOT YOU,
TOO!

IDIOT!
YOU HAVE
NO RIGHT
TO SAY
THAT
TO ME!



WILL
KEEP TAKING
EVERYTHING
I HAVE!

...BECAUSE
THAT
BASTARD...
THOSE
BASTARDS...



...THEN
FORGET
ABOUT
YOUR
PARENTS...
AND
ME...



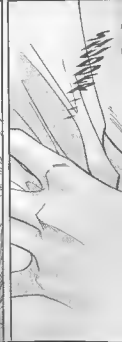
...IDIOT...



...MI...



TA...
TSU...



...WHATEVER
HE HOLDS
DEAR...

...EVERY-
THING...

I'LL TAKE
THAT
MAN'S
FUTURE...

...THEN I'LL
GO GET
IT!

I MUST
BE ABLE
TO... I'M A
HALF!

I'LL
BECOME
AS
POWERFUL
AS
TATSUMI...!

IF I
DON'T
HAVE
POWER
NOW
...

I'M
SORRY,
TATSUMI...
I... I JUST
CAN'T DO
IT.

THEN I'LL BE
THE ONE WHO
DOES THE
STEALING...

...FROM
HIM!



HE...
ROD...

...STOLE
EVERYTHING
FROM ME!!

YES, I WANT
TO KILL HIM!
I HATE HIM!



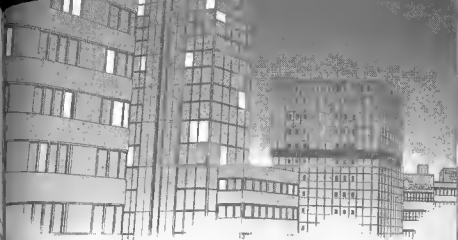
THAT
BASTARD...
THOSE
BASTARDS...

...WILL
KEEP TAKING
EVERYTHING
I HAVE!!



COME
ON, FUJI!

BUT I
DON'T
NEED
YOUR
HELP!



YOU DO
WANT TO KILL
HIM, DON'T
YOU?

IT'S
IMPOSSIBLE
FOR YOU TO
TACKLE HIM
ALONE. HE'S
TOO STRONG
FOR YOU!

I TOLD
YOU YOU'LL
COOPERATE!
WE'RE ON THE
SAME
SIDE!

AND
I TOLD
YOU NO
THANKS
!

S-S-S...
H

ARE
THOSE
TWO AT IT
AGAIN?

CANON
CHIKA SHIOMI



IT'S IRONIC,
TA-
TSUMI
...

AND I
TOOK
EVERY-
THING
SHE
HAD...

AND I'M
SURE YOU'D
BE FURIOUS
AT ME...

...BUT YOU'RE
NOT HERE...

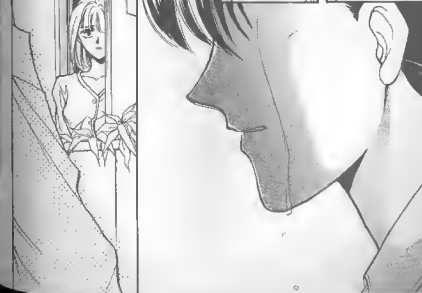
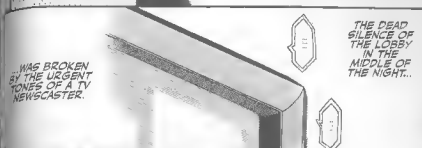
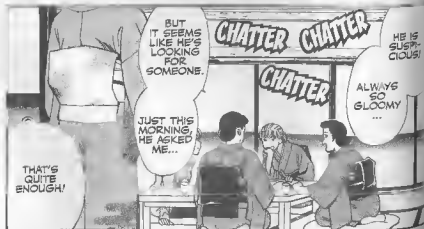
...AND BECAUSE OF
THAT, I CAN'T REALLY
LAUGH ANYMORE.

TATSUMI: THE END

FROM THE CITY OF SIN



CANON
CHIKA SHIOMI



...AND
THERE
AREN'T
EVEN ANY
SIGHT-
SEEING
ATTRAC-
TIONS TO
PASS THE
TIME!

HERE
I AM,
ON
SPRING
BREAK...

I'M
SO SICK
OF THE
COUNTRY.



Y-YES,
MA'AM
...!

YOUR
LUNCH
BREAK
ENDED
SEVERAL
MINUTES
AGO!



...AND
I'M BUSY
STUDYING!

B-BUT ...
I'M STILL A
COLLEGE
STUDENT
...



AGAIN, I
CATCH YOU
LOAFING WITH
THE HELP!
YOU SHOULD
REPORT TO
ME WHEN
THEY'RE
BEING
LAZY!

IT'S THE LEAST
THE DAUGHTER
OF AN INN
OWNER COULD
DO!



CRUNCH

WHY
WAS IT MY
LUCK TO BE
BORN AS AN
INNKEEPER'S
DAUGHTER?!

Right
in the
middle
of the
boonies,
too!

AND
TO MAKE
MATTERS
WORSE
WHenever
I'M AT HOME
I GET PUT
TO WORK!

EXCUSE
ME...

THAT'S
WHAT
COLLEGE
STUDENTS
DO!

TIPTOE TIPTOE

WHEN DO YOU
STUDY? DAY
IN AND DAY
OUT, ALL I
SEE IS YOU
DOING YOUR
BEST SLOTH
IMPRESSION!

SIGHH
...



THEN
MAYBE...
THIS IS
HIM?

HE CHECKED
IN WITHOUT A
RESERVATION
THE DAY
BEFORE
YESTERDAY.

FLIP



FROM
TOKYO
...HUH.

No wonder
he called me.
He thought
I was a book...



...then interfering with
his career eventually!

Oh...
...expect not...



Maybe!
I'll never
forget you,
Shuuji!
Ah...



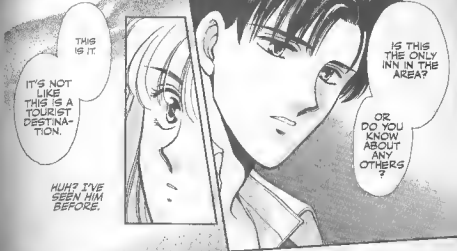
FLIP FLIP
FLIP FLIP

AH! I
SHOULD
ALSO
CHECK FOR
TAKEDA
...TAKEDA
...SHUJI
TAKEDA.

MMM...
NOT
HERE.



SORRY, I
HAVEN'T
SEEN
HIM.



THIS
IS IT.

IT'S NOT
LIKE
THIS IS A
TOURIST
DESTINA-
TION.

HUH? I'VE
SEEN HIM
BEFORE.

IS THIS
THE ONLY
INN IN THE
AREA?

OR
DO YOU
KNOW
ABOUT
ANY
OTHERS
?



EH? I-I
DON'T THINK
SO...

THEN
HAVE YOU
SEEN THIS
PERSON IN
THE LAST
TWO OR
THREE
DAYS?

HIS NAME
IS SHUJI
TAKEDA.



HE
WAS THE
GUY...

ALL
RIGHT.
THANK
YOU.

I SAW
WATCHING TV
LAST NIGHT.

OH, I DON'T KNOW ABOUT THAT... THIS IS A NICE AREA.

SURE, TOKYO HAS TONS OF PEOPLE, BUT A LOT OF THEM ARE GOOD--FOR--NOTHING.

CH: BACK

YOU'RE OSAMU, RIGHT?
AND YOU'RE FROM TOKYO?

COOL

...GETTING TO WORK IN A LIVELY PLACE LIKE TOKYO. MUCH MORE THAN INHERITING AN INN HERE.

IT MUST BE FUN...

IT'S A PLACE WHERE WHEN SOMEONE GETS KILLED...

...NOBODY BLINKS TWICE.

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I SEE, THANK YOU.

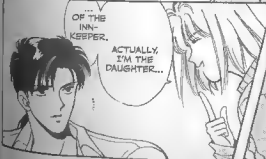


HI!

AH! THERE YOU ARE



IT LOOKS LIKE YOUR MANKUNT ISN'T GOING TOO WELL.



...OF THE INN-KEEPER.

ACTUALLY, I'M THE DAUGHTER...



...BUT THERE WAS NO TAKE-DASANI LISTED.

I CHECKED THE REGISTER...

THE REGISTER...?



THIS
YOUNG
MAN, THE
LIVE-IN
HELP AT
MORI-SAN'S
BAR...

...HAS
NOT
BEEN
SEEN
SINCE
THAT
NIGHT.



...HAS
STILL
NOT
BEEN
CAUGHT.

THE
MURDERER
OF SNACK
BAR
PROPRIETRESS
MARIKO
MORI-SAN,
ON THE
23RD...

WHAT DON'T
TELL ME YOU
ACTUALLY
WANT TO HELP
OUT AROUND
HERE FOR A
CHANGE?

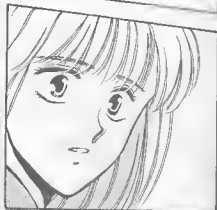
HUH...

YOU REALLY
DON'T HAVE
TO, I'M SURE
YOU'LL FIND
THE WAY.

MM? THE
CHERRY
BLOSSOM
ROOM,
REMEM-
BER?

WHICH
ROOM IS
OSAWA-SAN
STAYING IN
AGAIN?

I KNOW! THE
GUEST WIFE'S
STAYING IN THE
CHERRY
BLOSSOM
ROOM, RIGHT?
HE IS
SUSPICIOUS!





JUST IN CASE,
WOULD YOU
CHECK ONCE
MORE...



IF THEY
WERE NEW
GUESTS,
THEY'D BE
COMING IN
FROM THE
FRONT...

Aki
Mom



WHO
ARE
THEY?



YES, I'M
SURE. HE'S
A GUEST
HERE...



THEN
YOU'RE
POSITIVE IT'S
HIM?



THEY SAID
THE KILLER'S
ON THE RUN
AND HEADING
OUR WAY... TO
TOKOKU!

OH, COME ON... WHAT
WOULD A MURDERING
FUGITIVE BE DOING
SNOOPING AROUND
FOR SOMEONE?

BUT...THOSE
EYES...

...WERE SO
SERIOUS...



I
CAN'T
SLEEP



UH...
THAT'S
RIGHT...

...IS
CONNECTED
TO THE INN
UP FRONT,
ISN'T IT?

YOUR
HOUSE
IN BACK
HERE...

SLUMP

THE...



ALL RIGHT,
YOU STAY
HERE. YOU
COVER THE
INN'S
ENTRYWAY...

AND
YOU
T'LL
TAKE THE
EMER-
GENCY
STAIRS.

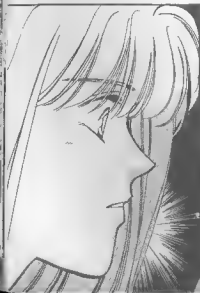


POLICE.

CER-
TAINLY.

COULD
YOU SHOW
ME THE
WAY?

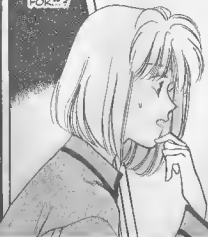
W-WHAT SHOULD I
DO? I'M SCARED...



WHO
WOULD
HE BE
LOOKING
FOR...?

I WONDER IF
HE'S REALLY
THE KILLER...

BUT
THEN...



ER... DID
HE DO
ANY-
THING...?

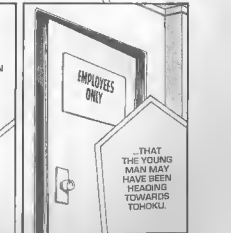
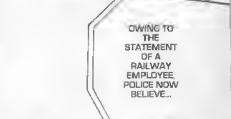
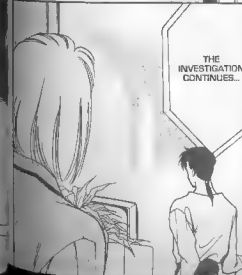
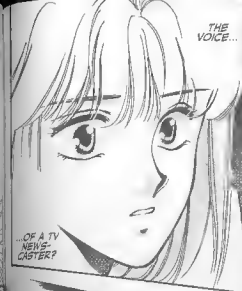
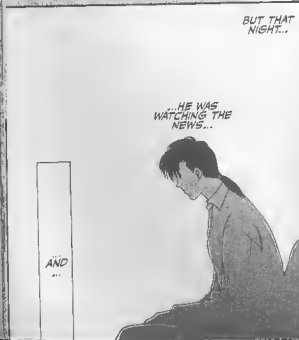


HE'S THE
PRIMARY
WITNESS...

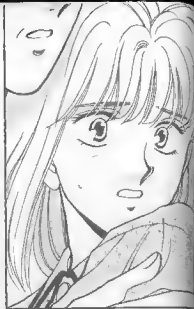


...TO THE
KILLING
OF THE
MANAGER
OF A BAR
IN TOKYO...

...SO WE'D
LIKE YOUR
COOP-
ERATION
WITH THE
INVESTIGATION.











DO YOU
HAVE
PLACE TO
GO?



I KNOW
HOW IT IS.
I DID
PRETTY
MUCH THE
SAME
THING
MYSELF



DO YOU
HAVE A
PLACE TO
GO?



O...
SAWA
...



I WAS
GOING TO
KILL HIM...



THEY
SAY...

HOW
...

SHE
...

...YOU CAME
TO TOKYO
AFTER
RUNNING
AWAY FROM
HOME

HOW
DARE
HE...?

SHE
WAS SUCH
A GOOD
PERSON...
AND HE
KILLED
HER...

NOBORU...
I'M
SORRY...

MARIKO-
SAN TOLD
ME...

RIGHT
BEFORE
SHE
DIED.

I'M
SURE HE'LL
BE IN HIS
HOMETOWN,
CRYING HIS
EYES OUT.

BUT WOULD
YOU TRACK
HIM DOWN
FOR ME?

WOULD
YOU TELL
HIM...

...THAT I'M
NOT MAD AT
HIM?

THEY
SAID...

...TAKEDA'S
MOTHER
WAS WITH
HIM WHEN
HE TURNED
HIMSELF IN.

YEAH
...

I
KNOW.

THIS
AREA WAS
HIS HOME-
TOWN...



WE
WERE...
CHILD-
HOOD
FRIENDS.

MARIKO-
SAN!!



SO SHE WAS
LIKE A MOTHER
FIGURE TO YOU,
HUH...?



...WITH
HER
LAST
BREATHS.

TELL
HIM...

I
DON'T
CARE
ABOUT
THE
MONEY
HE
OWES
ME
ANY-
MORE.

SHE
ASKED
ME A
FAVOR.

TELL
HIM...

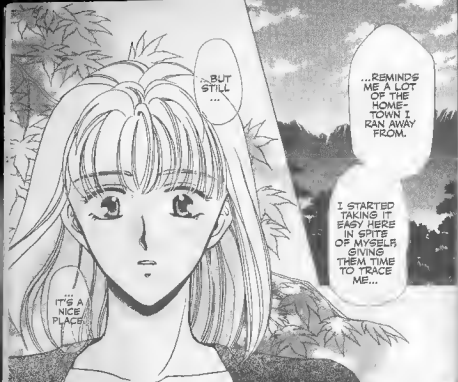
...TO WORK
HARD.

LET GO
OF ME!!
I'VE GOT
TO CALL AN
AMBULANCE
...!!

...BUT UNTIL
HE CAME TO
TOKYO, HE
WAS A GOOD
PERSON.

HE WAS
COWARDLY..

MARIKO-SAN!
MARIKO-SAN!



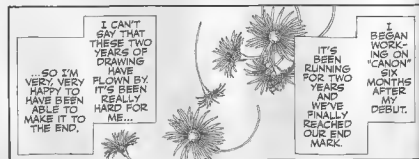


SHIOMI'S STANDARD
EVERYDAY AFFAIRS



HOW
WAS IT?

THIS IS
THE
LAST
VOLUME
OF
"CANON."



I CAN'T
SAY THAT
THESE TWO
YEARS OF
DRAWING
HAVE
FLOWN BY.
IT'S BEEN
REALLY
HARD FOR
ME...

IT'S BEEN
RUNNING
FOR TWO
YEARS
AND
WE'VE
FINALLY
REACHED
OUR END
MARK.

I
BEGAN
WORK-
ING ON
"CANON"
SIX
MONTHS
AFTER
MY DEBUT.



I don't know
how you happened to
break that particular
one, but please...

...
don't
help
me!

GYAAR!
THAT POT
WAS
EXTREMELY
EXPENSIVE!

AH!

CRASH



FROM THE CITY OF SILENCE

I'M ALWAYS
THRILLED
TO RECEIVE
LETTERS.

PLEASE GIVE
ME YOUR
COMMENTS,
OPINIONS,
ETC. ABOUT
"CANON IV".



The short story in here
was my second work.

I'LL KEEP
TRYING
TO DO
MY BEST,
SO KEEP
READING!

HERE'S
THE
ADDRESS.

Even if I'm late, I will reply
to your letters, so be sure
to include your address!

We're
waiting for
your letters!

A lot of people
who wrote to me forgot
to put down their
address. I was sad I
couldn't get back to them!



CMX
888 PROSPECT
STREET, SUITE 240
LA JOLLA, CA
92037
ATTN:
CHIKA SHIOMI

SHIOMI'S STANDARD EVERYDAY AFFAIRS: THE END

CANON IV: THE END

These were my favorite clothes for Canon.

DURING ALL
THIS TIME, I
RECEIVED AN
IMMEASUR-
ABLE
AMOUNT OF
HELP FROM
OTHER
PEOPLE.

I FEEL
GRATEFUL
TO MY
EDITOR, MY
FRIENDS
AND MY
ASSISTANTS
FROM THE
BOTTOM OF
MY HEART.

I meant to work
as hard as I could,
but in the end, I
received so much
help from
everyone around
me! So I guess the
astrological
info was right?

There was a full
moon the night I was
born but when one of
my assistants
checked it
out astrologically,
she reported that
being born under a
full moon means
"reliance upon others."



And here are answers to some
frequently asked questions
about data like age, height, etc.

Canon: 5 feet 2 inches
Solaki: 5 feet 10 inches
Rod: 6.5 feet - 100%

It may seem like I chose
these heights without
thinking about them, but this
I know I originally planned it.

Also, Canon is 16 years old. Solaki is
22. Rod is 100 and full 16, unknown.

Machio is
about the
same
height as
Solaki.

Without
readers'
letters, I'd may
really have died
back in volume
two. I wasn't
sure myself
about what his
fate should be...

TO
ALL YOU
READERS
WHO MADE
IT THIS
FAR, THANK
YOU VERY
MUCH.

AND
THANK
YOU,
THANK
YOU, TO
PEOPLE
WHO
SENT ME
LETTERS.

